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In the PATENT APPLICATION of:

Falone et al.

Application No.: 10/067,594

Confirmation No.: 5901

Filed: February 5, 2002

**For: STING MINIMIZING GRIP FOR A
HAND HELD SWINGING ATHLETIC
CONTACT MAKING ARTICLE**

Group: 3711

Examiner: Graham, Mark S.

Our File: IGC-PT002

Date: November 12, 2003

AMENDMENT

**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

The following Amendment and Remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action, dated May 12, 2003 (Paper No. 6) for the above-identified application in which the Examiner set a three month shortened statutory period for response which expired on August 12, 2003. Accordingly, a three month petition for an extension of time up through November 12, 2003 is respectfully requested. Entry of the following Amendment and Remarks, without prejudice or disclaimer, is respectfully requested.